HE ANNUAL STRUGGLE.



United States will hold its fifth ananal meeting for the decision of the field and track championships of America at Manhattan Field, New York city, Oct. 1.

This meeting is always the most important athletic event of the year. To make the games truly patismal in character the Amateur Athlette union holds them each year in different parts of the country.

The first meeting was hold in Detroit in 1865, and since then the championships have been decided at Travers island, New York: at Washington and at St. Louis respectively. Next year's meeting win to beld at Chicago in connection with the World's fair.

While this fall's meeting promises, as usual, to be interesting nothing startling in the way of record breaking is likely to occur excepting in the weight throwing contests. The rivalry between the New York and Manhattan Athletic clubs will prevent possible record breakers from doing their best in any one event in order that they may reserve their strength to score points in other contests.

The championship programme includes seventeen events as follows. One hundred and 200 yards dashes, quarter, half, one and five mile runs; one and three mile walks; 199 and 250 yards hurdle races over 3 ft. 6 fm and 2 ft. 6 in hurdles respectively; two mile bicycle race; running broad and running high jumps; pole vaulting; putting 16-pound shot, and throwing 16-pound hammer and M-pound weight.



HARRY JEWETT.

Much interest is manifested in the outsome of the 100 and 220 yards races. Harry Jewett, of the Detroit Athletic club, was credited in July with maning 100 yards at Cleveland in 9 4-5 seconds. Three watches agreed on this time, but I doubt whether it was correct. Certainly Jewett will be doing more than is expected of him in the east if he covers the distance fairly in 10 seconds. That Jewett will win both sprints seems certain, as none of the eastera athletes now in training can show faster than 10% seconds for the 100 yards dash, or 22.5.5 seconds for the 220 yards event. Luther Cary, the "Princeton Demon," has retired, and Swayne, Yale's wonderful young sprinter, is abroad. The race for second and third places in the 100 seems to lie between Copland, of the Manhattan Athletic club, and Lee and Vesdenburgh, of the New York Athletic club, Lee, I think, is the best of the

three. In the 220 Vredenburgh, by reason of his superior strength, should beat Lee.
The quarter mile run, barring accidents. will be won in the easiest nearner by W Downs, of the New York Athletic club. The heartbreaking races of last fall be-Iween Remington, of the Manhattan Athletic club, and Downs, are still rem mbered. Remington, however, has retired, and this gives Downs virtually a walkover. T. B. Turner, M. A. C., should be compete, will be second, and Lyons, New York Athletic club, ought to finish third.



TOWNS COURSES. The balf mile oun, in the absence of W. C. Dobre, should furnish a great race between T. B. Turner, M. A. C., H. E. Billtings, Jr., N. Y. A. C., and W. H. Morris, the colored cunter of the Y. M. C. A. of Philadelphia Stewart Window, N. Y. A. E, should be compete may also be near the leaders at the fluish.

Turner, I think, will win the race, but Billings will give him a great argument, and if Turner starts in the quarter may beat him. Morris may furnish a surprise, beit he carely cans well away from home. Tommy Connell seems to have a mort-

gape un the one mile run. He should win be starte, should be second, and J. A. Reid; of the same club, third. Connert's

salls will, I think, tire him enough to enable Willie Day, of the New Jersey A. C., to win the five solls event. Should Conneff, however, decide to leave the mile to ens of his circlesores, the five colle would be almost a new up between him and the Bittle Jamer man. Committee, in my opinton, alightly the better, Kosfe, of the Xavier A. A., may be third. T. Shearroan, Movies, Nicola and Letson.

should be the order in the one mile walk. providing all these men compute. In the three mile walk Nicoll, who represents the M. A. C., seems to have the best chance while Monks, if his old bones will stund two hard meet in a day, may take second for the Colombia A. C.

Dicycle cure are always uncertain events. If Arthur Zimborman and W. F. Murnby, of the N. Y. A. G., and P. J. Berto, George F. Taplor and Willie Wis-Who of the M. A. C. all compete in the two mile event the contest will be a motable and discoverment, Taylor Windle and Berfream all rolling very well, free Marolin has been til and is to much poor from more short in to desisting it he will be able to make a storeing wordy of himself. ELL S. History was included of this world's

month for the creating broad faint gives cont to be the best chance to

will be ever close behind, and jumping

is so uncertain a game that it would not be susprising if either Goff, M. A. C.; Schwegler, N. Y. A. C., or Puffer, M. A.

H. H. Morrell, N. Y. A. C., seems the most premising candidate for the low hurdles and A. F. Copland for the high. Copland should be second over the low sticks, with Schwegler third. Schwegler should finish in the same place in the high race, with Victor Harding, M. A. C., be-

tween him and the winner.

Alva Nickerson N. Y. A. C., will probably not come up to his old form in the high jump for the reason that he strained a tendon recently. In that case the contest should be between Sweeney, of the Navier A. A.; D. Long, Boston A. A.; Edwards, N. J. A. C., and Goff, M. A. C. The finish may be in any order among these men, though I fancy Sweeney for the

Luce, of the Detroit A. C. has an excellent chance to win the pole vault if neither Baxter nor Ryder competes for the N. Y. A. C. Casey and Zach Cooper may be the place man.

One need look no farther for the winner of the shot putting contest than George R. Gray, N. Y. A. C. Gray's brother. Joe. should be second if he competes, and Barrett, of the Xavier A. A., or Mitchell, N. Y. A. C., third. Mitchell will be in the hammer throwing contest and will probably smash the record.

Queckburner, of the M. A. C., if he competes, may take second, although Gian-nini, of the N. Y. A. C., is throwing in excellent form and may upset calculations. Mitchel ought also to win with the 56-pound weight, but Coughlin will be close

behind. Queckburner may be third. No prize is offered this year to the club scoring most points, but the competition between the N. Y. A. C. and M. A. C. will not for this reason be less bitter.

Walter C. Dorm.

NEWS FROM OLD NICK. President Nicholas Emanuel Young, of the National league, has just permitted himself to be interviewed in the interest of baseball. I have known Mr. Young ever since his first official connection with the National league, which was when he was elected its secretary at its inception in the spring of 1876, and in all of these more than sixteen years Nick has never refused to respond to the interviewer when tapped for baseball encouragement, which has occurred regularly and annually at intervals

of about two months. Mr. Young is a small man physically, but a giant in optimism. There is a great light shining before his eyes always, no matter how the dark clouds lower over the discouraged magnate or the disappointed crank. He sees some good to every ap-parent calamity, and if the Asiatic cholera strikes this country and carries off some of our most promising baseball stars, I haven't the least doubt of Nick's ability to demonstrate the exact benefit the game

will thereby receive. From his observations at Washington President Young sees a wonderful interest everywhere in basefull, especially in the League cities. Now I admit that his "glasses" are far more powerful and cor-rect than those which any other one of us have. They cannot deceive, for they count every paying spectator who enters a League ground. To be plain, Mr. Young, as treasurer of the League also, receives after each League game 10 per cent, of the gross receipts to form a sinking fund. He is therefore the only being in the world who can have positive knowledge of the exact condition of patronage in the National league.

Consequently when he says, and says it boldly, that he is surprised at the great interest which is being taken in baseball at this season of the year, we are bound to believe that this great interest really exists or that Mr. Young is, to use an expressive piece of slang, giving us taffy.

The average attendance has undoubtedly more than held its own since July 4, and that is rather unusual. The month of August has always been the hardest month financially to baseball clubs of the entire season. Mr. Young's expression of grati-fication over the present condition of affairs in the League therefore is probably well founded. Such a revival now would mean permanent good to the great game, because the improvement in public interest would probably continue to the end of the season and extend into the opening of the season next year.

An attendance of 8,000 people upon a Saturday's game in Cleveland is one of the events no one would have anticipated prior to the midsummer holiday. Yet that has

There may seem to be a radical "flop" in my opinions concerning the alleged revived interest in the game as expressed by my letter this week and last. Upon close com-parison, however, no such sudden difference exists. Last week I wrote from my observation and judgment, and this week from that of President Young. I admit that Mr. Young's means of estimate are truer than mine, and if he has not been giving us a "jolly" his judgment should be the better. Besides, within the week some astonishing changes have been made in patronage. Cincinnati crowds jumped from 560 to 3,000, and in Chicago and Cleveland almost as great an improvement has been marked. This makes the general average excellent, and if it continues we may safely say that the game has passed the slump

The great showing made by the Cleveland team is another proof of the glorious uncertainty of the national game. The general belief existed prior to the eastern clubs' western trip that the first four teams to face the Clevelands on the latter's grounds-viz., the Bostons, New Yorks, Philadelphias and Brooklyns-would together check their triumphant spure. But they did not. They were as promises in the Clevelanders hands. Such playing if continued through the rest of the season as the Clevelands did in those three series would land them winners in October a dozen games before their pearest rival It is a long way to the wire still at this writing. Every element of chance favors Cleveland in the race as against

the cinb of any other city, Some very promising young players are coming to the front since the midsammer reorganization. Some of them were in Lengthe harness price to that time without having a good chance to distinguish themsolves. Of such we have Doving the New Yorks, Young and Coppy of the Clere-lands, Kennedy of the Breaklyns, and Pasrott, Brober and Root of the Chicagos. O. the new ones, who came in with the second scassii Ward and C'Rourks of the Balti mores. Clauses of the Lordevilles, Hawley of the St. Lorde Browns and Abbay of the Washingtons may be prominently clussed Hawley is the Fore Store pitcher who Mr. Von der Aberscont | februare 1986 t the Little Rock club, when he pitch

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ting his opponents to make a hit. This feat stands next to that of Mullane's, who pitched sixteen ancoessive innings against the Cincinnatis in 1882 without a hit, as I have related before. Mullane's task was much more marvelous than Hawley's because his batters were more powerf Still Hawley's second entitled him to the confidence of managers in clubs of a higher class than the Fort Scott or Little Rock clubs occupied. Hets quite young and has the physique to last and improve. If hedoes not swell out too much under his cap, and will take care of the abilities nature has bestowed on him, he may be just entering

upon his future and his fame. A Columbus (O.) paper, trying to explain the bad financial failure of its club in the Western league, in spite of its win of the championship, lays it to the bulletins in the city poolrooms. The application of this reason is not what one would make at first thought, for is no poolroom was a dollar offered or accepted on a ball game. But the games as played are reported on the sporting ticker together with the borse races, and as it costs nothing to the posiroom people they post the innings to help attract visitors. Thus a baseball cranic can patronize a pooleroom, bet on the room and see all the hall games posted as they are played. The Columbus paper believes that it was such attraction which kept paying crowds away from the grounds. O. P. CAYLOR.

A PROMISING ELOCUTIONIST. At the elecationists' convention in New York during the past summer the attention of both teachers and spectators from all parts of the country was strongly attracted to a young lady whom many of them saw then for the first time. She read a paper on elecution and recited incidentally the passage from Henry V, "Once more unto the breach, dear friends, once more." The exquisitely cultivated articu-



MISS LILY HOLLINGSHEAD.

lation and pronunciation, the sweet, true inflections reminded one of the actors or the stage of the famous Theater Francais in Paris. The Shakespearean quotation was given in a manner thrilling and powerful, making the audience wonder how a sleuder girl could possess such force.

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A little later Miss Hollingshead electri-fied even that audience of elocutionists by her rendering of the great charlot race scene in "Ben-Hur." She has received her dramatic and elecutionary education from her grandfather himself, who now at eighty-three years of age takes as keen an interest in his favorite hobby-the training of the American voice-as he ever did. He will not listen for a moment to the assertion that Americans have naturally less musical voices than the English or any body else. In the girl's voice the very tones of her famous grandfather reappear at times, Mr. Murdoch and his family now reside at Cincinnati. The young lady's career as a public reader began in Boston. She loves her work enthusiastic ally, and has already achieved an enviable success.

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